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ORLANDO AND ORANGE COUNTY

The People Interested in Good Streets and Good Roads.

THINGS SEEN AND HEARD.

Ladies, Shade Trees, Lakes, Convicts—A People Who Believe in Advertising.

The Star editor spent the day Wednesday in the beautiful and wide-awake little city of Orlando, and he was surprised to find that city such a hummer. In the very important matter of streets and roads, Orlando and Orange county are far ahead of Gainesville and Alachua county. There is not being very much said about streets and roads down there, but those people are going ahead and building them. Clay is being used there for street and road building, and we are told by those who are in a position to know, that the thoroughfares thus constructed give very general satisfaction.

Convicts are used to build roads, and they are transported in cells constructed on wheels, and while they may camp at no one place two nights they stay in the same building every night, for the prison house on wheels is carried right along with the gang. Chairman Dickson, of the board of county commissioners, says the plan is the best yet tried by his people. He also says if the soil around Orlando was as fine as we have around Gainesville they would soon have a wonderful little city.

The people of Orange county believe in advertising their advantages. They are distributing thousands of descriptive catalogues among prospective home-seekers and investors in other sections of the State and country, and they do not seem to think it a crime for them to pay the local papers a little something for advertising. In short, the people of Orlando and Orange county are clever, energetic, wide-awake, and believe in advertising their city and county among the people who are less favored and are looking Florida-ward.

No prettier ladies are to be found anywhere (except in Gainesville) than are those of Orlando, and it is not at all surprising that the Orlando papers are announcing that there are to be several marriages there right soon, if not sooner. We talked to several prominent business men while in Orlando. Some of them say business was better when the town was dry than now, and others say the reverse is true, and yet others say they can see no difference. They all admit, however, that the saloons are breeders of crime, and that what seems to some like a failure of prohibition to prohibit is the result of a want of backbone and moral courage among the officers—from the highest to the lowest—and a higher and more sacred regard for truth on the part of many men when they are put on the witness stand to testify against an illicit vender. Those who are not for a dry town are usually those who are for an immoral town, or those who have become disgusted with the failure of the officers and witnesses to do their sworn duty when illicit venders are up for trial. But the better element, seeing the better enforcement of the prohibition law in other counties, and having become convinced that sentiment has changed mightily for the better during the past year, are becoming encouraged, and when an opportunity to vote on the question of saloons or no saloons comes up in Orange county again, we predict a glorious victory for the dries.

Gainesville is ahead of Orlando in some respects, but Orlando is ahead in other respects. We have the prettiest shade trees, but Orlando has the prettiest lakes. We have the best street and road materials, but Orlando has the best streets and roads. We have the richest soil, but Orlando has the prettiest orange groves. We are ahead as to churches and schools, but Orlando is doing well. We have the prettiest girls, but Orlando's are next to ours.

Orlando seems to know better how to manage her city prisoners than we do. Ours work on the streets in citizens clothes, and are subject to be mistaken for hired men, while Orlando's city prisoners work in stripes—the same as county prisoners—and are known as convicts wherever they are seen. The city authorities made this change not a very great while ago, and the editor of the Sentinel-Reporter, published in Orlando, told us that having to wear the stripes was having a good effect in deterring others from committing crime. Our city authorities might learn a valuable lesson from those at Orlando. Certainly all convicts should wear their stripes, so that they can be distinguished from citizens.

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A CHATAQUA.

Meeting Held by Our Citizens—They Seem to be Interested.

There was a meeting of representative men at the court house Tuesday afternoon, who discussed the matter of a Chataqua for Gainesville. Those present seemed to think it would be a good thing for Gainesville from a financial standpoint, and were willing to invest some money in the enterprise. It will require about \$200 from Gainesville to make the Chataqua an assured fact. Those present agreed to take enough tickets to cover about half the amount.

A Chataqua is more than a few lectures or addresses. It will embrace classes in Bible study, music, literature, etc. Lectures for entertainment are sandwiched in to make it pleasant, and to help pay expenses. Such a gathering would be a decided help to our people who have literary tastes and care anything for intellectual improvement.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

"Roll Call Meeting" a Great Success—The Lodge Flourishing.

Perhaps one of the most enjoyable occasions and the largest ever in the history of Mt. Vernon Lodge, No. 20, Knights of Pythias, was the "Roll Call Meeting" Tuesday evening. Nearly all the members of Mt. Vernon Lodge, and a goodly number of visitors, were present—in all about one hundred—and all expressed themselves as having had a most enjoyable time.

The spread after the meeting was one of the finest ever had in the city, and all present did full justice to it. This lodge is one of the strongest in the State and is in a flourishing condition—new members are being added constantly.

Dates for Speaking.
At the solicitation of certain of my friends I have consented to give nine days partly to politics while in inspecting certain schools for the purpose of determining whether or not they are entitled to State aid under a recent act. Up to this time I have not attended a political meeting nor devoted one day to politics, and when these nine days shall have expired I propose to resume my public duties until the proper time arrives, in my judgment to begin the campaign for the primaries of next year.

I will meet the people to discuss public education, and politics, at the following places and dates:
Waldo, Wednesday, day, November 18.
Hawthorn, Thursday, day, Nov. 19.
Micanopy, Thursday night, Nov. 19.
Newberry, Saturday, day, Nov. 21.
Valer, Monday, day, Nov. 23.
High Springs, Tuesday, night, Nov. 24.
LaCrosse, Wednesday, day, Nov. 25.
Gainesville, Friday, ———, Nov. 27.
Lake Butler, Saturday, day, Nov. 28.
My opponents all are earnestly requested to meet me, equal time will be accorded them. The searchlight of truth will be thrown upon the Booker Washington incident and other matters misrepresenting me and circulated to my injury.

Candidates for other offices can address the audience after the candidates for State Superintendent of Public Instruction shall have spoken.

Respectfully,
WM. N. SHEATS

Foot Ball Today.

Wednesday's Times-Union says: "The Jacksonville Rifles are practicing daily for their game with East Florida Seminary, which is to take place at the Driving Park Friday afternoon. The Seminary boys have been making their boasts that they would clean up the Rifles, and, hearing of this, Manager Ryzek has had his men on the field every day. The Rifles are confident of success, and claim that they will win easily. The line-up for the Rifles has not been determined, but it is to be the strongest eleven which ever walked out on a Florida gridiron. The game is to take place at the Driving Park, and the indications are that there will be a large attendance."

Boston Stars.
One of the most pleasing entertainments that will visit Gainesville this season is the Boston Stars who will appear in the auditorium Saturday night.

The management of the lyceum course, which consists of Prin. J. H. Fuls, L. C. Smith and Mr. Dorsey has made arrangements to devote the proceeds of the season's entertainments to the improvement of the school and the founding of a school library; and every person who has the cause of education at heart will take added pleasure in patronizing the lyceum course.

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TRENTON ITEMS.

Farmers Busy—Not Many Quail Being Shot—Cotton Out.

Trenton Nov. 11. Cane grading and hog killing being at hand there will be no more savoration in these parts at least for some time to come.

The Harmony Baptist Association convened at Cherry Sink Baptist Church Sunday, and was a grand success.

Mrs. S. G. Gay will leave today for High Springs, and from there she will go to St. Louis, Mo., to join her husband who is working there.

B. S. and B. F. Williams will begin grinding cane tomorrow.

Master Lee Colson goes to Newby today to carry his sister, Mrs. Gay, to take the train for High Springs.

Very few quail are being shot in this section—the farmers are too busy for sport yet awhile.

Cotton picking is about over. At least 90 per cent of the crop has been harvested.

In Memoriam.
In the death of Brother James B. Jones, which occurred in August last, the church and community at Palmer have suffered irreparable loss.

For several years Bro. Jones had been the guiding star of Methodism in the section where he lived, himself seeking and finding a deeper religious experience.

With an earnest desire to serve God and declare a free salvation to all men through simple faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, he became teacher of the Bible class in the Sunday School, and class leader of the district, working constantly for the spread of the Kingdom; a constant help to all those who needed assistance in their "walk of faith," and although death came to him suddenly it found him ready for the change, for "He causeth his servants to lie down in peace."

Our brother has joined the "blood washed throng," while we are left to mourn his departure. May the example of his life stimulate us to the fulfillment of every duty, and to the cultivation of that faith which will sustain in the dull hour of death; and, like him, may we be always ready for our departure.

His Friends and Companions,
O. S. GOSS,
E. WESTER.

A Receipt.
Do not cut out the receipt below, for cutting it out would spoil your paper—and that should not be done—but send \$1.00, and we will send you a properly filled out and signed receipt, like the following, except it will be larger, and look better:

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Try Fagan's market for best meats. No extra charge for reserved seats at the auditorium.

Have your clothing cleaned at Owen Lloyd's Dye Works. July 14, if seats reserved when tickets are bought in advance for the auditorium.

C. Brinkley of Jacksonville, was a business visitor to Gainesville Tuesday.

Call at L. C. Smith's and procure your reserved seat for the Boston Stars.

Mr. Jno. W. Cannon has been quite sick several days, but is now better.

J. C. Newberry of High Springs was a business visitor to the city yesterday.

Holders of season tickets call and select your reserved seats in the auditorium.

T. H. Cato, a prominent player of the Alachua section, was here Tuesday on business.

Mr. L. N. LaFontaine has returned from a pleasant visit to his former home in New York.

Rev. L. W. Moore, editor of the Florida Christian Advocate, preached at Island Grove Sunday.

Old newspapers, suitable for wrapping purposes, 15 cts. a hundred or 25 for 5 cts., at THE STAR office.

Dr. Wm. Sutherland and wife of High Springs, passed through the city Tuesday en route to Jacksonville.

Mrs. C. W. Chase has returned from the North and will remain in Gainesville the balance of the winter.

For Rent.—Two dwelling houses in West Gainesville. For particulars apply to Mrs. Dora T. Cromwell. Nov. 3 if

Rev. W. J. Carpenter left yesterday morning for DeLand, where he goes to deliver a temperance lecture.

Misses Cora and Alice Cato, two of Alachua's most charming young ladies, spent the day in the city Monday.

If you want money to buy or build a home, pay off mortgage, or contract for profitable investment see Movers.

The people of Gainesville will, after December 1st, have their mail delivered at their places of business—free delivery.

C. M. Love of Leesburg was in the city Tuesday and has accepted the express run on the Micanopy branch of the A. C. L.

A. R. Jones left Tuesday afternoon via the A. C. L. for Jacksonville, from which place he proceeded to St. Augustine on business.

Geo. W. Easterlin, senior member of the firm of G. W. Easterlin & Co., High Springs, was transacting business here Tuesday.

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Mr. R. L. Ivey, of Ocala, who is a prominent naval stores man, and an old friend of the Star editor, spent last night in the city.

If it is job printing you want just send your order to the Star. It will have prompt attention, and work and prices will suit you.

Dr. Thomas is out on the streets again, after a very severe attack of pneumonia. The doctor says he had a struggle to keep out of the hands of Mr. McClellan, but that by hard work he succeeded.

Mr. E. B. Godwin of High Springs, and Mr. C. H. Crisman of Micanopy, are authorized to take subscriptions and collect for THE STAR. See them about it.

J. G. Harrold, who was burned out recently, has opened up his market and grocery store in the building recently vacated by Carter Bros., on the south side of the square. Success to him.

Furnished rooms with privilege of cold and hot bath. Unfurnished rooms, and rooms for light housekeeping, for rent, by Mrs. L. A. Thrasher, East Main St.

Editor Oliver J. Farmer of the Levy Times-Democrat, was a fraternal caller at the Star office this morning. Bro. Farmer is giving the people of Bronson and Levy county a good paper.

Mrs. S. W. LeGrande has moved her stock of millinery to the store next to Johnson Bros., on the west side of the square, and has now one of the neatest and prettiest millinery